

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 March 15 2016 to 0600 March 16 2016



A section of Highway 3 in Trinity County collapsed late Monday night about 10 miles north of Weaverville.

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SITUATION SUMMARY

National News – Significant Events

Rising Rivers, Bayous Force Texas Residents to Evacuate

(ABC) Residents were evacuating their homes in Southeast Texas on Tuesday as rivers swollen by days of heavy rain displaced thousands of people, forced the temporary closure of a major interstate and overwhelmed small towns along the Louisiana border. People rushed to fill sand bags to place around their houses as authorities warned of record flooding not seen since 1884 along the Sabine River, which serves as a long border between Texas and Louisiana. Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, who is scheduled to tour the area Wednesday, has issued a disaster declaration across much of the region. Livestock was being moved to higher ground and residents were trying to salvage equipment in some areas, including by using small boats to move equipment out of flooded buildings. Officials warned people using boats to escape floodwaters to be careful of fast-moving waters and of poisonous snakes and other wildlife that could pose threats. In the town of Orange, Mayor Jimmy Sims said he'd never seen the kind of flooding that has hit the area about 100 miles east of Houston over the last week. He asked people to stay away from the downtown area on Tuesday amid its evacuation. "Hopefully we'll be out of the woods soon," he said, noting that much of the floodwater is moving toward marshland in Louisiana that can better absorb the water. No deaths or serious injuries have been reported in the region, which was slammed by as much as 20 inches of rain over four days last week. Steadily rising waters along rivers prompted evacuations beginning last weekend. Although the rain has mostly subsided, the water is moving south along several waterways, including the Sabine, Neches and Trinity rivers, heading to Galveston Bay — but not before inundating several riverside towns. The heavy rains also prompted authorities to release massive amounts of water from the Toledo Bend Reservoir, including at a rate of 207,000 cubic feet per second — similar to the flow rate over Niagara Falls — on Thursday, according to National Weather Service meteorologist Tim Humphrey. Nine spillway gates were open early Tuesday releasing 67,000 cubic feet per second at the reservoir, which at 284 square miles is one of the largest man-made bodies of water in the South. The draining has contributed to the flooding. The flooding forced intermittent closures of Interstate 10, one of the country's major transportation arteries.

International News – Significant Events

U.S., France pledge to help after attack on Ivory Coast hotels that killed 18

(CNN) The United States and France have pledged assistance to Ivory Coast as the West African nation investigates a terror attack that left at least 18 people dead. Gunmen stormed three hotels Sunday in the beach resort city of Grand-Bassam about 40 kilometers (25 miles) from the country's largest city, Abidjan, officials said. Foreign nationals, including four French citizens and a German woman, were among the dead. Al Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb claimed responsibility on a social media account tied to the group. Three soldiers and 15 civilians were among those killed, President Alassane Ouattara said as he visited the sites of the attack. Three terrorists also were killed in the attack, the Ivory Coast presidency said on its Facebook page Monday, citing Interior Minister Hamed Bakayoko. On Sunday, Ouattara had given the number of terrorists killed in the attack as six. No information was immediately available Monday clarifying the discrepancy. Ouattara declared three days of national mourning. He urged Ivorians to come together and to not give in to fear. "I condemn in the strongest terms these heinous and cowardly attacks on innocent people," he said. "Ivory Coast will not be intimidated by terrorists. "The attack began shortly after midday Sunday when the beach at Grand-Bassam reportedly was packed with people swimming, relaxing and eating at beachside cafes. The area is popular with wealthy Ivorians and Westerners, particularly on weekends. Security surveillance footage from one bar shows the confusion as shots rang out, causing people to flee. Moments later, a gunman in a waistcoat calmly walks by, firing his AK-47. Isaac Ouattara, a hotel manager who was there that day, said he saw three men wearing jeans and white shirts shooting as they walked down the beach. "I was standing on the balcony. I saw everything. They shot a man, then a woman. They were shouting 'Allahu akbar!' he said. "One of the gunmen was injured in the leg, so the other two just shot him dead."



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HWY 3 Roadway Damage, Trinity County

- On 03/15/16 at 1033 hours, the California State Warning Center (CSWC), received a report from the Cal OES Inland Region Duty Officer (IDO) advising that she and the Cal OES Inland Region Emergency Services Coordinator (ESC) for Trinity County were working with Caltrans and Trinity County on a washout impacting Highway 3, approximately 10 miles North of Weaverville, Trinity County. A 100 yard section of the highway has been destroyed due to erosion.
- Highway 3 is the only access and egress to the communities on the North side of the slide due to the road being closed at Calahan Mountain because of snow. The only places to get through from Weaverville to the other side of the damaged area are snowed in roads which are not suitable for most vehicles.
- Communities that are isolated due to the washout are: Coffee Creek and Trinity Center, as well as outlying homes. Approximately 1,200 persons are impacted.
- Highway 3 is open north of the washout area. Currently, the only route to take Coffee Creek and Trinity Center residents to Weaverville is a 140 mile detour north on Highway 3 to Yreka, south on I-5 into Redding, and west on Highway 299. If Trinity Mountain Road can be cleared of snow, it provides a route from Highway 3 between the two communities to Highway 299. This route is much quicker, however, will be closed again if it snows.
- Initial estimates indicate Trinity Mountain Road may be opened within three days. Trinity County has identified Trinity Mountain Road as the primary route to be opened, and is being cleared of snow by Caltrans.
- A secondary route is also identified from Highway 3 to Buckeye Ridge Road to Slate Creek Road, however the road is unimproved and narrow.
- Per the Cal OES FDO, Trinity Center Volunteer Fire Department, Coffee Creek Volunteer Fire Department, and Trinity County Fire Dispatch were notified to contact the FDO if there are any fire and rescue needs. The two fire departments have approximately 20 personnel and sufficient equipment and EMS capabilities. The U.S. Forest Service has personnel stationed in the area and are determining their support capabilities if needed, and will work directly with Trinity County Fire Dispatch.
- A local airfield, Trinity Center Swett Airport has a paved runway and can accommodate fixed wing aircraft, helicopters, and air ambulances.

Utilities

- AT&T fiber optic lines beneath Highway 3 were severed. It is unknown at this time what these lines impact. Cal OES Public Safety Communications Office (PSCO) reached out to the Public Safety Answering Point and did not receive indication of any communications issues. PSCO is also working with AT&T and Verizon to determine if there are any outages in their networks.

Activations

- Trinity County did not activate for this incident.
- The Inland Regional Emergency Operations Center (IREOC) reduced activation status at 1800 hours from Level 2 to Level 1 (Normal Operations) and is monitoring issues in Trinity County.
- The Cal OES State Operations Center (SOC) is activated at Level I in support of the IREOC.

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Proclamations

- A Proclamation was received from Trinity County for the road failure on State Hwy 3. There are no requests for state assistance.

Deployments

- The Cal OES Inland Region ESC for Trinity County was released as of 1800 hours.

Access and Functional Needs

- As of 1224 hours on 03/15/16, the CSWC has been advised per the Cal OES IDO, that Access and Functional Needs (AFN) - Trinity County Public Health (TCPH) reports there are two known AFN individuals in the area of isolation.
 - TCPH advised that these individuals are very self sufficient and there are no communication problems with the area. TCPH will continue to monitor the situation.

Health and Medical

- The communities and surrounding residents of Coffee Creek and Trinity Center are currently cut off from reaching emergency services in Weaverville.

Road Closures

- Hwy 3 is closed approximately 10 miles north of Weaverville.
- Caltrans will grade and clear Trinity Mountain Road in between Hwy 3 and Hwy 299; the road will be for access and egress for the community to use.
 - Caltrans will assess the damage to Hwy 3 and determine what it will take to repair it and how long repairs will take.
- EMS has an extended alternate route available, the road is not paved and subject to the elements. The county can respond with EMS via air resources if necessary.

Missions

- 2016-IREOC-21960, Transportation EF-1. One snow blower to clear Trinity Mountain Road from Hwy 299 in Shasta County to Hwy 3 in Trinity County. Agency tasked: Caltrans.

Weather

- High pressure in the region will bring dry weather, light winds, and warming temperatures through Friday at the Highway 3 washout site. Increasing rain chances return this weekend into early next week as multiple storm systems impact the region. Temperatures will decrease as well through the weekend.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Cal OES Coastal Region Significant Activity

Sink Hole with Gas Leak, Moraga, Contra Costa County

- A sinkhole 15 feet deep and ten feet across opened at the intersection of Rheem Boulevard and Center Street near a shopping center.
- A traffic signal pole and surrounding asphalt at the intersection fell into the hole, rupturing a 4-inch PG&E gas line.
- Evacuation orders were in place for 1/4 mile around the sinkhole and gas leak. 250 people were evacuated from a business shopping area and 60 - 100 homes were asked to shelter-in-place with windows and doors closed.
- Cal OES LDO confirmed that all evacuation orders have been lifted.
- A large number of residences in the area have had their gas service interrupted due to the pipeline rupture.
- Per CUEA, PG&E has now completed all phases of their purge plan (clearing all lines of air before reintroducing gas), and has begun their relight program. As of 0015 hours Tuesday, PG&E has successfully addressed over 2000 customers (~83%); they have a few hundred customers that PG&E may need to revisit. More than 100 personnel were on site Tuesday morning.
- The city of Moraga proclaimed a local emergency due to this incident. There are no requests for state assistance.

Landslide, Augusta Drive, Moraga, Contra Costa County

- A small landslide has damaged one home and rendered another home uninhabitable.
- The two families have self evacuated.
- East Bay Municipal Utilities District (EBMUD) is waiting for the ground to be drier before starting mitigation and restoration.
- No requests for assistance or unmet needs at this time

Uvas Dam Water Flow, Morgan Hill, Santa Clara County

- American Red Cross advised Cal OES Coastal Region that an evacuation shelter was expected to be established to house campers and residents that were evacuated from Thousand Trails campground and surrounding area, Morgan Hill, Santa Clara County.
- Shelter was established at Morgan Hill Presbyterian Church 16970 De Witt Avenue, Morgan Hill, Santa Clara County. Overnight population: 26
- Cal OES LDO confirmed that approximately 150-200 residents were placed under mandatory evacuations due to rising water levels of Uvas Creek. The area is a trailer park area with most permanent residences.
- Cal OES Coastal Region reports that Uvas Creek has experienced a rise in water levels due to water being released from Uvas Dam as a precautionary measure to relieve pressure on the dam and to mitigate potential flash flooding.
- Uvas Creek is receding, water levels had dropped 2 feet by 1900 hours Sunday evening.
- Per the Santa Clara Valley Water District, water continues to spill through the engineered spillway at the dam. There is no damage to the dam. It is currently unknown when the reservoir will recede to 100% capacity.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Weather of Concern

Northern California

- Frost is possible in Covelo, Potter Valley, Willits and Laytonville until 0900 hours this morning.

Southern California

- For the central coast, surf of 10 to 12 feet will gradually subside by 0800 hours this morning.

River Forecasts

The following Rivers are currently projected to reach or are at Monitor Stage as of **0650** hours:

Inland Region:

- Sacramento River at Colusa Weir (Colusa County)
- Sacramento River at Colusa Bridge (Colusa County)
- Sacramento River at Tisdale Weir (Sutter County)
- Sacramento River at Fremont Weir (Sutter County)
- Yolo Bypass at Lisbon (Yolo County)

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Medford Weather:

Precipitation will be on the decrease today as upper ridging develops just off the coast. This upper ridge will strengthen through tomorrow, and its axis will move right over us. This will produce dry, warmer, and sunnier weather for much of our forecast area. Light rain over the waters and coast later Friday, Friday night, and into Saturday.

Eureka Weather:

Building high pressure will bring warming temperatures and dry weather today and Thursday. A chance for wet weather and cooling temperatures will return this weekend and early next week as high pressure breaks down and allows upper level disturbances to impact the area.

Reno Weather:

High pressure building off the California coast will move slowly inland, bringing several days of dry weather and generally light winds with a steady warming trend through Saturday. The next chance for gusty winds and precipitation may arrive early next week as low pressure approaches the Sierra.

San Francisco Weather:

A building ridge of high pressure will bring a warming trend through the end of the week. The next chance of rain is expected late in the weekend into Monday.

Sacramento Weather:

Expect a week of warm temperatures with dry conditions. Confidence is increasing for a weather system coming through Northern California late in the weekend or more likely early next week.

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WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Hanford Weather:

A ridge of high pressure is beginning to build across the region, which will bring clear skies and warming temperatures for the central California interior.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

High pressure and offshore flow will bring above normal temperatures to the area for the rest of the week. Today will be the warmest of the next 7. It will be cooler and a little cloudier over the weekend leading up to a chance of rain on Monday.

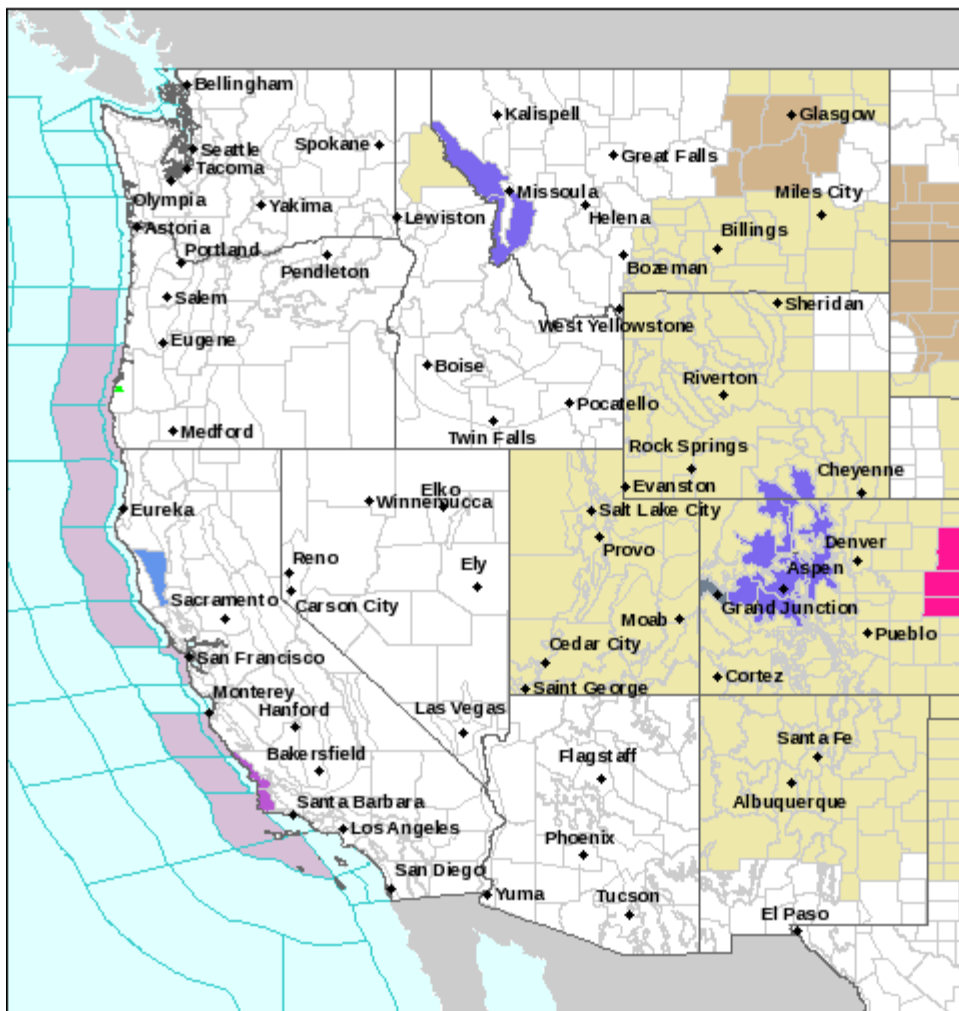
Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

High pressure and weak offshore flow will create dry and warmer weather for the remainder of the week. A shallow marine layer and increasing onshore flow will bring cooling, higher humidity, and a return of marine clouds to coastal areas by Friday morning. It will be fair and warm through the weekend. A trough is forecast to move onshore with the southern extent clipping southern California, creating a brief potential for showers Monday. Cool northwest flow and mild weather through the middle of next week.

Southeast California Weather:

Breezy to locally windy conditions are expected along the Colorado river valley through Friday with lighter winds elsewhere. Otherwise, area weather will be warm and dry through the weekend as high pressure builds along the west coast. Temperatures are expected to be 10-15 degrees above normal by the weekend.

STATE WEATHER MAP



- Flood Warning
- Red Flag Warning
- Winter Weather Advisory
- High Surf Advisory
- Dense Fog Advisory
- Small Craft Advisory For Hazardous Seas
- Small Craft Advisory For Rough Bar
- Small Craft Advisory For Winds
- Small Craft Advisory Lake Wind Advisory
- Wind Advisory
- Frost Advisory
- Extreme Fire Danger
- Hazardous Weather Outlook



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FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.

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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 61 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 27 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.